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INFO AMCONSUL PONTA DELGADA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, PO

SUBJECT: CIVIL AVIATION - TWA DESIRE TO USE LAJES AIR BASE

REF: LISBON 1242

1. DAO HAS RAISED REF SUBJECT WITH SEVERAL PORTUGUESE AIR FORCE (PAF) OFFICERS. LATTER INDICATED THAT TWA ACCESS TO LAJES WOULD CAUSE PAF NO SERIOUS CONCERN. LOCAL TWA REP HAS, MEANWHILE, VISITED AZORES TO EXPLORE THIS ISSUE. HIS FINDINGS INDICATE, HE CLAIMED, THAT NEITHER REGIONAL MILITARY COMMANDER NOR LAJES AIR BASE COMMANDER WOULD OBJECT TO TWA OPERATIONS AT LAJES.

2. ECON COUNSELOR CALLED ON PORTUGUESE AIRLINE (TAP) ADMINISTRATOR FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS, ENG. JOAO BOTEQUILHA, TO REQUEST HIS ASSISTANCE IN RESOLVING THIS QUESTION PROMPTLY IN ORDER TO AVOID ITS GROWING INTO A MAJOR ISSUE POTENTIALLY DAMAGING TO TAP INTERESTS. LATTER AGREED TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT HIS FINDINGS.

3. ECON COUNSELOR PROPOSES TO CALL ON DR. JOAO PEQUITO, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN  
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AFFAIRS, TO DISCUSS REF SUBJECT. HE WILL URGE GOP AP-

PROVAL OF TWA ACCESS TO LAJES AND WILL LEAVE AIDE MEMOIRE  
OUTLINING USG POSITION. DURING DISCUSSIONS, HE WILL  
STATE THAT, IF PRESENT DISCRIMINATION CONTINUES, USG MAY  
HAVE TO REVIEW LANDING RIGHTS IN U.S. FOR TAP FLIGHTS UTILIZ-  
ING LAJES. AIDE MEMOIRE WILL, HOWEVER, MAKE NO REFERENCE  
TO SUCH A POSSIBILITY.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT APPROVAL REQUESTED FOR  
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